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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

It is not good to be too free. It is not good to have everything one wants.

—Blaise Pascal

EDITORIALS

LET'S ALL PITCH IN

THIS week a number of Plattsmouth business men will take many hours off from their regular business and devote it to the solicitation of funds to finance the Kass County King Korn Carnival. This will not be a pleasant job for the men out soliciting, they are doing what in some instances proves to be distasteful errand and contributing to community service.

This is your Korn Carnival. This show was a regular feature and as such a part of Plattsmouth as Sixth and Main long before many of the fellows who are contributing countless hours to its staging ever made the city their home. Most of them will be doing a job that dozens of others have been asked to do and have turned down.

No program for community betterment or entertainment was ever arranged without some flaws. Everything in the show can't be arranged to please everybody, nor can a small group of men and women donating their time and effort keep their fingers on every part of the program or the budget. But we can say this with confidence that the committee this year is making every effort to see that all leaks are stopped, that every dollar will be stretched until the "Eagle Screams" . . . but it will still take money to pay premiums, pay feed bills, furnish transportation and lunches to bands, pay tent rentals, install lights, build platforms, and hundreds of other incidentals connected with the Carnival.

This year there can be no money raised through sale of tickets for raffles, bingo, or give-aways. Some funds will be raised through concession rights and special pre-Karnival events, but the greatest portion of the cost is coming right out of your and my pocket.

Contrary to some opinions, we think the show is one of the greatest in Nebraska and well worth all the money, time and headaches involved. We hope the majority of you other Plattsmouth folks think so too. So, when they come to you for your share of the cost give it cheerfully, dig a little deeper than in former years and let's give the folks a show they won't forget in a long time.

That's what it takes to make a great Plattsmouth GREATER!

NO DELAY IN CASUALTY LISTS

THE army was recently accused of not issuing correct casualty figures in the Korean fighting but officials pointed out that casualty notifications were following the pattern worked out in World War II. The army admits a time lag in the report of casualties but points out that there has been difficulty in contacting units and that reports of those missing are constantly corrected by later information as scattered men return to their organizations.

Certainly the above policy is best. What a terrible thing it would be to cause undue heartache. More terrible to have those at home learn of their loss through newspapers or other news services. The army must be sure — that takes careful checking.

ECONOMISTS CALL FOR CONTROLS

SIXTY-FIVE of the nation's leading economists have issued a statement calling for an immediate increase in taxation to cover the rise in defense expenditures and to balance the budget. In addition, to prevent inflation from war spending, the economists call for credit control.

The economic experts point out that communistic aggression will require greatly expanded military forces and supplies for some time to come. Enlarged outlays by the government for war preparations will likely turn a boom into an inflation which will "hurt most the most helpless members of society—the widows, the or-

Furse's Fresh Flashes

A social worker visiting our jail recently asked a prisoner, "Was it your love of drink that brought you here." The jail bird replied, "Hell, no, Miss. You can't get nothin' here."

It's certainly a blessing we are not getting all the government we are paying for.

A wife with horse sense never becomes a nag.

An editor is a person who uses other persons words and gets all the blame for them.

If you must be "blue" make it a bright blue.

There's one thing this nation will never run out of and that's debt.

Someone should invent brakes that will get tight when the driver does.

Some so-called bright children should be applauded with one hand.

What the world needs most today is someone who can foretell the future and then change it.

If two can live as cheaply as one—why don't they?

phans, the aged, the pensioners, the annuitants, the disabled."

The economists do not believe that it is necessary for the people of the United States to suffer the "abomination of inflation." They think that our economy can provide a high standard of living and a large increase in military outlay "without degradation of the dollar." They think that it is necessary, first, to increase taxes and, secondly, to have adequate control powers over consumer finance and construction finance.

The economists are theoretically correct and there is every reason why intelligent Americans should support their recommendations. Congress has been somewhat ahead of the president in proposing economic controls which, at this time, the chief executive does not think are necessary. Nevertheless, such controls will probably become law on a stand-by basis, leaving it to the president to determine when to put into effect price, wage and rationing controls.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

10 YEARS AGO . . .
Terrific rains swept county with as much as 4 1/4 inches reported . . . Bion A. Hoffman, coach of P. H. S., attended the short course for coaches sponsored by the athletic department of the University of Nebraska, with Coach Major Biff Jones in charge . . . Marjorie Arn Speece of Bennett, Nebraska, entertained at a bridal shower honoring Jean Hayes whose marriage to Dr. George Sayles was an event of the month . . . Local post office was given "A" grade rating by inspectors . . . Fifty-three children out of the 108 registered for the Summer Reading club had finished the requirements.

20 YEARS AGO . . .
Bank at Gretna was robbed of \$7,000 while part of the force were at dinner . . . The steamer "Artus S" arrived to begin work of securing sand and gravel from the Platte river . . . Retail section of the Chamber of Commerce urged the merchants to keep their store windows and fronts lighted on Sunday nights to make for a brighter business section to appeal to the passing tourists . . . Jack Uhlik was a member on board the USS New York, one of the crack ships of the navy, a part of the Pacific fleet at the Bremerton, Washington, navy yard.

The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

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TOM McNAMARA AND JACK ANDERSON SAY: MRS. ROOSEVELT SUGGESTS THAT TRUMAN REPLACE SECRETARY JOHNSON; U. S. SUGAR STOCKS ARE CRITICALLY LOW; TRUMAN MAY ASK CONGRESS TO RECONSIDER ECONOMY CUT.

(Ed. Note—While Drey Pearson is on a brief vacation, his column will be written by members of his staff.)

WASHINGTON—President Truman has received some blunt advice from the former first lady, Eleanor Roosevelt, suggesting that he fire Defense Secretary Louis Johnson.

Mrs. Roosevelt expressed her views last week in a confidential letter to the president, following his categorical statement that he would keep Johnson and Secretary of State Acheson in his cabinet as long as he remains in the White House.

Writing as a private citizen, the former first lady suggested that Truman might have qualified this by saying he would keep Johnson and Acheson "as

Main Street

by Ralph Stein



long as they do a good job." She pointed out that every president occasionally finds it necessary to make changes in his cabinet and it isn't a good idea to "freeze" a man in an important position.

Injecting a more personal note, Mrs. Roosevelt wrote that it was apparent to her from the tremendous volume of anti-Johnson mail she was receiving that the public had lost confidence in the secretary of defense. In view of this sentiment and in the interest of national defense, she suggested firmly that Johnson should be replaced.

LOW ON SUGAR

This won't be pleasant news to the G. I.'s in Korea, but the home folks' sweet-tooth appears to be stronger than their patriotism. In spite of the appeals against hoarding, the nation's sugar stocks are critically low. The agriculture department's commodity boss, Ralph Trigg, candidly admitted this the other day, testifying behind closed doors of the senate banking committee.

Regardless of how you cut the cloth, there is no sugar available. Trigg reported flatly. "Nothing has changed except that the sugar is in the pantries of the folks throughout the nation," suggested Indiana's GOP Senator Homer Capehart. "The consumption has not increased. It is hoarding that has done this."

"That is true," agreed Trigg. "You will not increase the consumption per person a great deal . . . but there is no sugar available for a great many people who are unable to get it at the retail stores."

Note—In the hope that public opinion may still shame the hoarders and profiteers, we have been urging patriotic Americans to organize "home front" committees and to campaign through the local press, radio and civic groups against war greed.

ROUGH GOING-OVER

Jack Redding got a thorough going-over behind closed doors before the senate confirmed his appointment as assistant postmaster general.

At one point, Sen. Bill Langer, North Dakota Republican, noted that Redding claimed to be a "writer of fiction."

"Yes, he was director of publicity for the Democratic national committee," dryly remarked Sen. Zales Ecton, Montana Republican.

President Truman won't take the proposed 10 per cent, across-the-board slash in government spending with his bat on his shoulder.

At a recent meeting with federal agency chiefs, Truman strongly indicated that he might send a special message to congress if the two houses don't reconsider the 10 per cent reduction.

"This so-called 'economy' cut is one way to destroy government agencies without outright abolition," declared the president. "You can cripple an agency so badly by chopping off its personnel that it cannot do the job. This is a grave situation."

"It's all the graver in wartime," broke in Federal Communications chairman Wayne Coy. He explained that his agency was engaged in top-secret projects, vital to the war effort.

"We cannot do the job right if we are deprived of key personnel," he added. "The same applies to my agency," broke in Thomas Buchanan, acting chairman of the federal power commission. "The FPC must see to it that our war plants have enough gas and electric power to keep them going. We must establish a bal-

CAPITOL NEWS

LINCOLN—Four members of Nebraska's congressional delegation have said they agree with Gov. Val Peterson that work should be speeded on Missouri basin dams to provide electric power essential to the war effort.

But the governor wants more than that. He wants to see a congressional order to the army engineers to rush completion of Fort Randall and Garrison dams. "I want to see the money on the line," he told his press conference.

Peterson wired the Nebraskans in congress as well as the governors of the other nine Missouri basin states that work on the two dams be speeded. "Any other course is to endanger America," he said.

From Democratic Rep. Eugene D. O'Sullivan and Republican Rep. Carl T. Curtis and Sen. Hugh Butler came replies that they agreed with the governor's position. At Washington, Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry made a statement to that effect.

Wherry and Butler pointed out the tentative allocation of the \$80,000,000 earmarked for the corps of engineers in a bill now being studied could be changed. "I'm happy about that," he said, "but I'm not so happy that the construction schedule on Garrison and Fort Randall have fallen a year behind schedule."

Nebraska's railway commission has again allowed the Burlington and North Western railroads to cut service in the state. The Burlington was given permission to substitute daily passenger trains 41 and 42 for Nos. 15 and 16 between Table Rock and Wymore. It was also allowed to substitute Trains 41 and 42 for Trains 23, 24, 89 and 90 between Wymore and Lincoln.

The commission approved the application of the North Western to discontinue Trains 613 and 614 between Chadron and the Wyoming line.

Two members of the commission said evidence showed the public has generally abandoned use of the trains and was losing money on the operation. Richard Larson, a commission member, dissented.

Gov. Val Peterson this week (Friday) leaves on a ten-day vacation. He will visit the Pacific Northwest and hopes to include a boat trip to British Columbia.

The governor, accompanied by Mrs. Peterson, will attend a meeting of the Missouri Basin Inter-Agency Committee at Fort Peck, Wyo., on Thursday and leave from there for the coast by commercial airline.

Peterson has planned two or three speaking engagements in Oregon and Washington during his holiday.

The draft quota for Nebraska in November likely will be the same as it was for September and October—435 men. That was the word this week from state selective service headquarters.

Lt. Col. Francis Drath said the state now has about 15,000 men classified as I-A. Of these, he expects 8,000 to be eligible for active duty.

The first Nebraskans are expected to be inducted Aug. 23, about after that about a dozen men a day will be entering the service from Nebraska, Drath said.

The colonel, who is state manpower chief, said that 477 out of the 877 examined by the end of last week, has passed their physical examinations. The rate should get better as younger men are processed, he said.

A new headache is facing the state aeronautics department. Officials don't know what to do about pilots who insist on using the highways as runways. Roland Harr, department safety director, said two such cases have occurred recently—at Neligh and Sidney.

Harr thought he had the problem licked by invoking a law limiting the width of vehicles on the roads, but an attorney has claimed planes aren't vehicles.

If the lawyer makes his position stick, Harr said a rule to cover the situation will have to be adopted.

Inmates in the 17 board of control institutions are increasing in population, the board has reported. As of July 1, there were 8,311 persons in the board's 17 institutions. This is an increase of 3 1/2 per cent over the same date in 1949.

Mental hospitals and penal institutions account for most of the increase. The largest boost was at the Lincoln mental hospital, where 1,545 patients are now listed.

Board Chairman Forrest Johnston pointed out that more space had been made available for the care of the mentally ill.

Short takes in the week's capital news: Lack of dependable help, high labor costs, heavy losses from predatory animals and reduced grazing allotments may reduce Nebraska's fall lamb crop to the smallest on record, according to State Agriculture Director Rufus M. Howard.

DALE CARNEGIE

AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

Don't Copy Others

DO YOU COPY someone else in your work? If you do, you will meet with only the success of a copyist, although you may be copying subconsciously. Nothing pays off like originality. Don't take this to mean wild-cat schemes, crazy ideas with an attempt to be different, but worthwhile, helpful sound measures or ideas that have not been used before.

Hy Landerer, of the Brandt theatres, New York City, tells a story of being surprised by his supervisor one day with, "Mr. Landerer, starting next week you will be permanent master of ceremonies at this theater." He says if he had been hit over the head with a bat he couldn't have been more stunned.



D. Carnegie

In a panicky frame of mind, he asked himself what to do. Should he imitate his predecessor in telling jokes and passing wisecracks to his audience? Yes, that was the answer. So he went out and purchased a joke book.

Honesty forced him to admit that telling jokes was not a natural talent with him; that truly good performers knew how to fit their jokes to the occasion; that a joke had to be spontaneous or it would appear mechanical, and would not be in the least funny.

Every morning he practiced on himself, and every evening after the theater had closed, he recited poetry to himself, read the Gettysburg address, tried to master the art of speaking before a microphone. But there was still the problem of what to say before an audience.

Then one day he ran into an old friend, a master hand, that well known comedian, Milton Berle, who said, "Hy, there are not two people who can tell a joke the same way and get the same result. Just remember that in your position, your patrons are coming to see the artist you introduce. So go on the stage, tell some interesting fact about the performer, announce his name clearly, and get off. Never attempt to imitate anybody; be yourself."

"That evening," says Hy, "I did just that, and I have met with success far greater than I had anticipated. Throughout the years I have carried that advice with me, and it has stood me in good stead always."

The state game commission will meet Aug. 26 to set the state's pheasant season and bag limits. Preliminary reports show there may be more birds than last year.

Nebraska paid out \$1,050,627 to needy aged persons last month, compared to \$999,704 for July a year ago, when ceilings were \$10 lower.

Engaged in Care Of Dr. Geo. Pratt

Mrs. Amelia Heldt of this city who has been a graduate nurse for a number of years, engaged for the past week in her professional duties at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha. Mrs. Heldt was called there to look after the care of Dr. George Pratt, for many years a leading physician and surgeon, who was forced to retire by reason of failing health. Dr. Pratt is being cared for at the Immanuel, his nurse is taking a vacation and Mrs. Heldt was prevailed upon to take over the work for a time.

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SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD By Mrs. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS Associate Editor, Parents' Magazine

THE FAMILY will be starting any day now for a trip in the car and a few of the problems of travel with children will loom in the offing. One of the most persistent of these is "Buy me!" It is natural for an alert child to want everything he sees, so parents have to find a way of making it clear that he can't have them all, and still keep peace in the family.

One father accomplished this by attaching a basket purse to the instrument board of the car. Into this went the money for gas, oil, ferries and toll bridges, plus a reasonable amount for roadside treats. This gave the children an idea of the basic cost of running a car—because the car he wants and you don't have to buy a ticket they are apt to think you travel free. And deciding ahead of time how much was to be spent each day for extras made the children weigh the pleasure of buying a blown up balloon character at a stand, against waiting for a bottle drink at the next filling station.

This budgeting for entertainment also gave a legitimate reason for not stopping at every two-by-four carnival the children spotted. This same father of four would say, "It will cost at least 40 or 60 cents for each of you to have a ride on the merry-go-round—and it looks pretty broken down to me. Why don't we keep going until we reach the next drive-in and all see a movie?"

Another family on a journey that was to require several days found that eating meals out at home for trips to the park made the days go faster, and the food budget go a lot farther. They began each day with a good, hot breakfast at a restaurant—meat and eggs and milk so that everyone started out well fed.

Then while Father serviced the car Mother stopped at a local grocery and filled the picnic basket with things they could eat without dishes. A lone knife will spread sandwiches for all, and there are plenty of good spreads—mixed cheese, peanut butter, cream cheese and jelly—to give variety. The children love to choose a new kind of cookie for dessert, fruit is always abundant and fresh milk can be purchased as meal time approaches. Stop by a grassy roadside and get out of the car to eat—this gives the children a chance to stretch their legs and they'll be fresh and contented for the next 50 miles or so.

The chief thing is to keep the children well and this isn't always easy with changes of water, temperature and different food. Pack up all cakes and pastries that have custard or cream fillings, because sometimes food tastes all right but is still close enough to spoilage to cause stomach upsets. Beware of fish and dishes containing egg, milk, poultry, etc. Pick your restaurants for cleanliness rather than cuteness—Ye Old Mill Food Shoppe may harbor rats, and fancy caps and aprons on waitresses don't guarantee clean hands.